



## CONTESTS NEAR END

### 539 Delegates Accredited to Taft

## INTERESTING SESSION

### Settled Cases Involving Two Delegates at Large and Twenty-One Districts

## ARRIVAL OF WADE H. ELLIS

### Hearing of Texas Cases Was Before Committee When it Adjourned—Will Consolidate Remaining Texas Contests With West Virginia.

CHICAGO, June 11.—The Republican national committee today reached Texas in the alphabetical list of states while in deciding the contests for votes on the temporary roll-call. The work today settled the cases involving two delegations at large and 21 districts, the total of 50 delegates. Of these Taft is certain to have 49 and may possibly have 50. The uncertain delegate hails from the eighth district of Tennessee and it is not positively known how he would vote. He belonged however, to Oliver, the faction in that state. The majority of whom were instructed for Taft.

When the committee adjourned for the day, Taft's managers claimed a total number of delegates on the temporary roll-call pledged to Taft to be 554. According to allies the latest figure number is 539.

The work of the committee today excited much more interest than that of any previous session. The visitors who were present on the former occasions were for the most part abundant today and as a rule only such people visited the Coliseum had business to transact.

The hearing of the Texas case was before the committee when it adjourned until tomorrow. They disposed of the third, fourth, sixth, fifth, ninth, thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth and sixteenth districts. It is understood unofficially that the contests in the second and twelfth will be withdrawn and that the arguments will concern the first, fifth, eighth, tenth and eleventh districts. The delegates seated today from Texas are uninstructed, but it is said they will support Taft. It is an earnest desire of the committee to finish the work tomorrow night and in order to facilitate this it has been decided to consolidate the remaining Texas contests with West Virginia.

The most important arrival of the day was Wade H. Ellis, attorney-general of Ohio, who brought with him a draft of platform. He refused to discuss its provisions but asserted that in his opinion it would be the best platform that any political party has sanctioned in recent years.

The number of Pennsylvania delegates arrived today and it was stated that Senator Knox is in the fight to stay and the bigger the fight the better they believe are his chances.

S. S. Stephenson of Ohio, who opened the Foraker headquarters today made a similar announcement in the behalf of the Ohio senator. It is possible that his fight will result in the meeting of the resolutions committee over opposing the planks which will be presented by representatives of the American Federation of Labor and the National Association of Manufacturers.

President Van Cleave of the Manufacturer's Association, anticipated by the issuing of a statement today, that the meeting proposed to be held by the labor men. He bitterly attacked the labor men's position and declared anything like the advocacy of the class legislation should be avoided.

He declared that the union leaders who had been mentioned in connection with the coming labor conference, Gompers in particular, are Democrats, that they should not be recognized by the Chicago convention and if they go to Denver. They will not support the Chicago ticket no matter who may be nominated.

## BASEBALL GAMES.

**American League.**  
At St. Louis—St. Louis 6, Washington 3.  
At Chicago—Chicago 7, Philadelphia 0.  
At Detroit—Detroit 3, New York 1.  
At Cleveland—Cleveland 2, Boston 0.

**National League.**  
At Philadelphia—Philadelphia 3, St. Louis 1.  
At Boston—Boston 5, Cincinnati 1.  
At New York—Pittsburg 5, New York 2.  
At Brooklyn—Chicago 2, Brooklyn 1.

**Northwest League.**  
At Seattle—Seattle 4, Butte 0.  
At Vancouver—Vancouver 1, Aberdeen 4.

**Pacific Coast League.**  
At Portland—Portland 3, Oakland 4.  
At San Francisco—San Francisco 1, Los Angeles 0.

## ADMIRAL RECOVERING.

NEW YORK, June 11.—Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, arrived in the city late last night from Washington. He was accompanied by his wife. He will leave to-day for Lake Mohonk where he will stay several weeks. Admiral Evans still walks on crutches but said he hoped to be well in a short time.

## PORTLAND GRAFTING

### Under the Protecting Arm of the Police

## MAY GO TO THE GRAND JURY

### Vice and Crime Are Brazenly Flaunted Under the Eyes of Mayor Lane and Tom Greene's Police Department and Other Authorities.

PORTLAND, June 11.—With the new law in force which places the power of indictment for criminal offenses exclusively in the hands of the grand jury, one of the first things to be called to the attention of that body is the condition of the city as regards vice and graft. Free use of the probe by the inquisitorial body, it is asserted, will reveal an astounding conditions of affairs.

Even a cursory investigation, according to allegation, shows that a gigantic system of graft prevails, embracing the North End, Chinatown and certain disreputable resorts in the heart of the city. Concerned in this unlawful combination and profiting financially by it, as alleged, are persons connected with the police department, the subordinate courts, county officers and other prominently connected with political parties.

In fact, it is asserted, conditions rivaling those revealed by recent reform work in San Francisco, and in proportion to the size of Portland's police department and the area and population of the districts affected, on as large a scale, will be thrown under the calcium light. Hundreds of dollars are said to be collected monthly by the graft circle accused of fostering crime and immorality. Some of this bribe fund is reported to come from the Chinese, part from the French male parasites infesting the North End, and the remainder from the white-skinned creatures living off the earnings of fallen women and making rendezvous of certain uptown joints of unsavory character.

Vice and crime, it is charged, not only flourish, but are brazenly flaunted under the eyes of Mayor Lane and Tom Greene's police department and the other constituted authorities. Evidence of the strongest character, it is declared, can be adduced to prove the satisfaction of a grand jury

## HILL'S OPINION OF BRYAN

### Says There Is No Democratic Party

## ENDORSES J. JOHNSON

### Cry of This Political Campaign Should Be "Taft, Candidate of Political Patronage"

## REPUBLICANS DISORGANIZED

### Every Time Bryan Says "I Kept Faith" It Makes Hill Smile—His Own States Is Republican to the Core, Explains Hill.

NEW YORK, June 11.—David B. Hill sailed for Europe today. Discussing the retirement from active politics he said: "There is no Democratic party. When I met the late Governor Altgeld shortly before the first so-called Bryan convention, I told him the policies he represented would drive the Democratic party to hell. Then when he begged for another try, four years later, I said: 'You are most there; stop before you have absolutely ruined the party,' but Bryan was nominated, and I saw the futility of a minority report with only ten votes behind me. 'I admit the Republican party is badly disorganized at the present time. Both the parties are disorganized. There was an opportunity but I fear it has been overlooked.

"The cry of this political campaign should be Taft, the candidate of political patronage. What else is he. He is put before the people as a candidate by the power of political patronage, nothing else.

"Now both the sides in the coming political struggle will have to go to the masses for their votes. They must draw from the masses and what better man could stand against the power of the patronage than John Johnson who spent his boyhood in a county poorhouse. Think of it. Torchlight processions with banners reading 'John Johnson, a poorhouse candidate,' and from what I have been able to learn, Johnson is more than a mere near to the people candidate. He is a well balanced and an able man.

"Every time Bryan says 'I kept faith' it makes me smile. He has kept the faith indeed. He kept it out in Nebraska, his own state, which is now Republican to its political core. The Democratic party never wanted Bryan. Bryan wanted the Democratic party. He forced himself onto the party in 1896 and again what was left of the party in 1900 and now in 1908 he calls himself the Democratic party and says 'I have kept the faith.'"

that it will be warranted in taking vigorous action to abolish the reprehensible methods in vogue and punish the evil doers.

Never in the history of Portland were such shameful conditions noticeable in the North End as at present, and the traffic in human slaves is known to have grown enormously profitable to a few ventures in the form of men, carrying on their nefarious business under the protecting arm of the police.

## Custom Office Robbed --- Three Are Killed

TIFLIS, June 11.—Ten robbers entered the customs office today and killed the official in charge and de-

## ARRIVE AT SAN FRANCISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—The torpedo destroyers Preble and Perry, under command of Lieutenants Freeman and Larimer, respectively, and the torpedo boat Farragut, Ensign Metcalf, have arrived here from Portland Astoria. After returning from Sacramento some weeks ago the little war ships went to the Columbia river, and return to return on the coast for nearly a month. The battleships on Puget Sound are all to return here this month and the entire battleship fleet will be here on the Fourth of July.

## U. S. CIRCUIT COURT

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—The U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals yesterday adjourned for the term and will meet again on July 6. Before adjourning they affirmed the decision of the lower courts in the following cases:

Alaska-Threadwell Gold Mining Company, vs. L. R. Cheney, administrator of the estate of Ole Linge from Alaska; Title Guarantee and Trust Co., vs. Puget Sound Engine works.

The court also granted a re-hearing the case of Charles Nickell, vs. the U. S. from Oregon. This is one of the land fraud cases.

## CHICAGO POPULATION

CHICAGO, June 11.—Unofficial estimates made yesterday by those in charge of the school census indicate that Chicago now has a population of about 2,140,000.

The population reported in the census of 1904 when the last general school census was taken was 1,174,744.

## FLOOD ABOUT OVER

### Kaw and Missouri River Falling Inch Per Hour

## REFUGEES ARE RETURNING

### Kansas City Stockyards and Armourdale Will Be Dry Today—The Railroad Traffic is Now Practically Restored—Two More Are Drowned

KANSAS CITY, June 11.—Two more persons were drowned tonight. James Fradora fell from his porch into the water and drowned before he could be rescued, and later at night James Brown fell out of his boat at Nineteenth street and was drowned.

KANSAS CITY, June 11.—The flood in the Kaw and Missouri rivers are now falling more rapidly than it rose. The Missouri started to fall at 4 p. m. and the Kaw early this morning. The Kaw is falling an inch an hour and by tomorrow the stockyards, railroad yards and Armourdale will be dry. The refugees are now returning to their homes, and the railroad traffic is practically restored.

## LUSITANIA ON TIME.

NEW YORK, June 11.—The steamship Lusitania passed Fire Island inward bound from England at 12:05 this morning (Friday). She has an hour and six minutes to make the run of 27 miles to Sandy Hook lightship within the record time. When she passed Nantucket light earlier at night she was traveling between 25 and 26 knots per hour.

FEZ, June 8.—Mihai Hafig, the usurping Sultan, arrived here yesterday at the head of a large force. He entered the city between two long lines of soldiers escorted by a body-guard of 600 or more.

## PASSED ANTI-RACE BILLS

### They Win After a Great Struggle

## BY VOTE OF 26 TO 25

### Decisive Votes Which Passed Bill Were Cast By Foelkner and Wallace

## CROWNED BRILLIANT VICTORY

### Foelkner of Brooklyn Crawled From Sick Bed, and Makes 60-Mile Journey to Cast Vote, Passing of Bills Comes Unexpectedly.

ALBANY, June 11.—After a great struggle, the famous Agnew-Hart anti-racetrack gambling bills, are now the laws of the State of New York. Both bills passed the senate today by a vote of 26 to 25 and Governor Hughes by his signature affixed to each of the bills this afternoon crowned the legislative a victory of brilliantly, of which is equalled only by its unexpectedness, as is conceded even by those who fought him to the last ditch and beyond. A few minutes before 2 o'clock the extraordinary session of the legislature adjourned without delay. The decisive votes which passed the bill were cast by Senator Foelkner of Brooklyn, who crawled from a sick bed and made a 60-mile railroad journey, and was so weak and distressed in mind and body that he seemed on the verge of a collapse and by the new Senator, William C. Wallace, of Niagara Falls, for whose election Governor Hughes stumped the district.

## CHINESE BOYCOTT

VICTORIA, B. C. June 11.—There was not a Chinese passenger nor any Chinese freight on the Tango Maru of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha which arrived to-day with her holds scantily owing to the Chinese boycott against the Japanese's Steamer and merchandise.

## WIFE OF CHINESE MINISTER

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—Made Wu, wife of the Chinese minister at Washington, will arrive from Hongkong on the Str Mongolia, due here June 19, and Collector Stratton has been asked by the state department to extend the usual courtesies to the party, including the free entry of their baggage. Accompanying Madame Wu are her son, Wu Choachu, and his wife. There also are about a dozen students in the party.

## EXPECT SMALL ATTENDANCE

CHICAGO, June 11.—It is estimated that approximately 60,000 persons will be brought into Chicago on account of the Republican National Convention. During the last Convention held in this city the extra business done by the railroads exceeded \$100,000. The falling off in the attendance is credited largely to the elimination of free transportation.

## WARNING TO PANAMA.

### Elections in That Republic Must be Conducted Fairly.

WASHINGTON, June 11.—In unmistakable language, the President and Secretary of War Taft have notified the Panama Government that the elections in that republic must be conducted fairly. Circumstances attending this warning are such as to be construed that the United States will use necessary force to see that this injunction is carried out.

## DELEGATES GO EAST

### To Attend Republican National Convention At Chicago.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—The California delegation to the Republican National Convention, headed by M. H. De Young, chairman, left on the overland train this morning for Chicago. The party numbered 25 and occupied two special cars on the limited. The delegation is scheduled to arrive in Chicago at 12:30 Sunday afternoon.

Jacob H. Neff, one of the delegates at large did not accompany the delegation, his physician advising him that the state of his health made it inadvisable for him to undertake the trip. As Charles S. Wheeler, Neff's alternate, is reported to have sailed for Europe indications are that California may be one vote short at the convention.

## ARE VERY LOVELY.

LEXINGTON, June 11.—Harmony characterized the Democratic state convention which met here today. The temporary organization effected this afternoon, and afterwards harmony speeches were made.

## SUBMARINE BOATS.

VALLEJO, Cal., June 11.—The submarine boats Pike and Grampus which have only recently been overhauled and repaired at the Mare Island yard at a cost of \$20,000 each, have been placed in commission. The crews of both boats are assembled here and it will only be a matter of a few weeks time before the boats will leave for experimental trips down the bay in company with the tender, the Tug Fortune.

## HELD ON SUSPICION

### For the Brutal Murder of Mrs. Morrison

## JOE FISHER, AN ITALIAN

### Has Handkerchief With Blood on it Pocket—But Only Answers in Part to Mrs. Morrison's Daughter's Description.

BELLINGHAM, June 11.—Sheriff Wells of Skagit county arrived at Mount Vernon tonight from Stanwood, bringing with him an Italian prisoner named Joe Fisher, arrested on suspicion of being connected with the murder of Mrs. Morrison at Hazelmer. Fisher answers the description in part, but does not conform to age nor height given by Mrs. Morrison's daughter. She described the murderer as taller and older than Fisher. Fisher told Sheriff he had walked from Burlington to Stanwood this morning. He was very hungry when he reached Stanwood jail. From the broken remarks the sheriff gathered that the man came from the Canadian territory and passed through Blaine. In Fisher's pockets were a pocket knife with peculiarly long blades, a woman's lace trimmed handkerchief and a copy of a Seattle paper, which contained the first account of the murderer. One of Fisher's own handkerchiefs had blood on it and his overalls were badly stained, but whether the stains were made by blood is undetermined.

## SENATOR HAWKINS DEAD

### Former State Senator Dies At Age Of 80 Years.

NEW YORK, June 11.—Former State Senator Hawkins, 80 years old, of Jamesport, L. I., is dead, after an illness of about three months. Mr. Hawkins enjoyed the unique distinction of defeating his brother for senator of the state. He was nominated on the democratic ticket against Simon Hawkins who was then holding office. The brothers, who lived within a stone's throw of each other, made a very exciting run, Edward winning out.